CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-10. (Canceled)

11. (New) A locking device for a cover of a glove compartment of motor vehicles, which is positioned so as to swivel on an associated frame, comprising:

first and second locking bars, the locking bars having locking sections engaging behind an associated locking contour on the frame to hold the cover in a closed position, and

an actuation element by which the locking bars are synchronously displaceable from a locked position to a release position for opening the cover,

wherein the actuation element is positioned on a frame side and, for opening the cover, interacts with its locking section on the first locking bar, displacing it in the opening direction, the second locking bar also being moved into its release position.

- 12. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the locking bars are spring-loaded in the direction of their detent advancement.
- 13. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein both locking bars of the cover are constructed as sliding locks.

- 14. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the locking bars are mechanically coupled to each other by a gear.
- 15. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the locking sections of both locking bars are disposed on opposite narrow sides of the cover, and wherein the direction of each detent advancement of the locking bars occurs in opposite directions.
- 16. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the locking bars comprise toothed rack sections with which a gear wheel meshes reversing the movement direction.
- 17. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the actuation element comprises a push button and a disengaging element, moving transversely to its advancement direction, by which the locking section of the first locking bar can be displaced into its release position.
- 18. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the cover is spring-loaded in the direction of opening.
- 19. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein the locking bars are held in open positions by a locking element, the locking element being automatically brought to the release position during a closing movement.

- 20. (New) The locking device according to claim 11, wherein locking sections of the locking bars exit from pass-through openings on narrow sides of the cover and engage in locking recesses which are positioned in wall sections of the frame opposite the pass-through openings.
- 21. (New) The locking device according to claim 19, wherein the locking element is a detent pawl